Appn. No. 09/684,174 Response dated May 23, 2007

## Remarks/Arguments

This paper is submitted responsive to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2007. Reconsideration of the application in light of the accompanying remarks and amendments is respectfully requested.

In the aforesaid action, the Examiner found claim 4 to contain allowable subject matter, and rejected other claims over prior art. By the present amendment, independent claims 1, 15 and 16 have been amended to contain the subject matter found allowable by the Examiner. These claims are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance. Dependent claims 5-14 and 17-19 all depend directly or indirectly from one or more of independent claims 1, 15 and 16 and are submitted to be allowable based upon this dependence and also in their own right.

Based upon the foregoing, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance, and early and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this paper. If any such fee is due, please charge same to Deposit Account 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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